

ABSTRACT

A head support device has impact resistance, delivers excellent performance and lends itself easily to mass production with rigidity of its head wiring not adversely affecting the impact resistance and performance. This device includes slider 1 with a head, support arm 3 having a leading end provided with slider 1 via flexure 2 and being integral with, in the vicinity of its base end, spring member 5 along centerline 4, and base arm 6 having two pivots 7 contacting arm 3. Spring member 5 is fixed to arm 6 at its leading end and has hole 8 in its center and slit part 14a at its base end. Support arm 3 includes, about its base end, slit 14 and reinforcing plate 13 also serving as a balancer. This device can be used in various information apparatuses including a magnetic recording/reproducing apparatus, a magneto-optical disk drive and an optical disk drive.